Meeting Coventry Fire, Anthony District

Wednesday March 12, 2014

Board members in attendance Jim Beckman-Chair, Louis Cote-co-chair, Peter Pankowicz, John Botello, and John D'Onofrio.

Also in attendance Chief Paul Labbadia and Deputy Chief Robert Warren.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 P.M.

AGENDA:

- 1) Emergency evacuation procedures
- 2) Roll call
- 3) Approval of the minutes held on February12, 2014. Jim Beckman made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Peter Pankowicz. All in favor motion carries.
- 4) Chair report: None
- 5) Chief report: The Chief stated that everything is running well at the station and the cash flow is good at this time. The Chief said that the line of credit has been paid down by a considerable amount. John D'Onofrio asked how much and the Chief said that it would be discussed during the treasures report.
- 6) Tax office report: Tax office report prepared and read by Jeanne Lukowicz, tax collector. Taxes collected to date \$961,983.01. Interest

collected to date \$27,376.18. Total taxes and interest \$989,359.19. Total legal fees collected \$18,953.25. Total monies collected \$1,008,312.44. The tax sale was held on February 13, 2014. We sold 7 properties, with 22 bidders. \$10,395.54 was collected for taxes. \$6,017.65 was collected for legal costs (letters, title, certified, ads, constable & auctioneer). Back taxes owed from 2010 and prior are actually \$3,853.25 which is a corrected figure from last month report where they were incorrectly figured at \$4,022.97. The back taxes owed from 2011 is \$5,066.98 back taxes collected from 2011 is \$1,356.69 and the balance uncollected is \$3,710.29. The back taxes owed from 2012 is \$51,828.68 back taxes collected for 2012 is \$28,777.65 and the balance uncollected is \$23,051.03. The back taxes owed for 2013 is \$337,483.61 back taxes collected for 2013 is \$157,025.51 and the balance uncollected is \$180,431.10. The taxes owed for 2014 is \$2,167,421.65 and we have collected \$774,796.16 with a balance of \$1,392,625.49. There were 103 letters mailed on February 26th, in addition to the 70 that were mailed on February 5th. We have collected \$17,898.83 from legal letters to date. We have collected 49% of 2013 taxes and 36% and 2014 taxes. John D'Onofrio asked Jeanne Lukowicz if we were on track with collections as compared to last year. Jeanne Lukowicz said she would have that information at the next meeting. John D'Onofrio made a motion to accept the treasures report as read and seconded by John Botello. All in favor motion carries.

7) Treasures report: Prepared by Judith Hetherman and read by Jennifer Ruzzo. As of February 28, 2014 the cash balance is

\$259,062.82. Accounts payable is \$67,038.06 but \$54,596.00 has been paid out as of Monday leaving a balance of approximately \$12,000.00. The line of credit balance as of February 28th was \$274,896.44 but has been paid down by another \$120,000.00 since then and the balance as of today is \$234,896.44. The total income is \$1,014.286.66 and the expenses are \$777,964.96 leaving a net income balance of \$236,321.70. John D'Onofrio made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read and seconded by Peter Pankowicz. All in favor, motion carries

- 8) Executive session: Jim Beckman made a motion to adjourn into executive session pursuant to RI General Laws 42-46-4 Personnel, seconded by Peter Pankowicz. All in favor, motion carries.
- 9) Reconvene public meeting: Peter Pankowicz made a motion to reconvene to public meeting, seconded by Jim Beckman. All in favor, motion carries.
- 10) Old business: Jim Beckman asked the Chief about the heating system in the Morton Building. The Chief said that they would work on it when it is warmer probably sometime in April.
- 11) New business: The Chief said he is waiting for quotes on new laptops. John Botello asked if we could hold off on purchasing new laptops until we see what we can get from the CCFD. The Chief said yes and he believes the CCFD does have some we could use.
- 12) Adjournment: Peter Pankowicz made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John Botello. All in favor, motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Mary Perry